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3. CLAIM REJECTIONS: DOUBLE PATENTING

a) Claims 2-37 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as claiming the same invention as co pending Application 10/006,027.

b) Claim 1 is provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claim 1 of co-pending Appl. No. 10/006,027.

c) Claim 1-25 and 34-36 are provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claim 1 of co-pending Appl. No. 10/396,155.

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AMENDMENT OF CLAIMS

Claims 1 and 35 has been amended. Support for this amendment can be found on page 24, lines 10-14.

Claim 18 has been amended. Support for this amendment can be found on page page 9, lines 8.

In the original claims submitted, there was an error in numbering. The claim number "32" appeared twice, once after claim number 29 and again after claim number 31. The "claim number 32" found after claim 29 and before claim number 30 has been deleted and New claim 38 has been added and is identical to the deleted claim.